

General Assembly

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LCO No. 3071



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY

Introduced by: (PS)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF THE COSTS OF CERTIFICATION FOR A POLICE OFFICER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2015) (a) For purposes of this
- 2 section, "police officer", "certification" and "law enforcement unit" have
- 3 the same meanings as provided in section 7-294a of the general statutes
- 4 and "cost of certification" means the cost of training, equipment,
- 5 uniforms, salary and fringe benefits and any cost related to the entry
- 6 level requirements established by the Police Officer Standards and
- 7 Training Council associated with the police officer, except that "cost of
- 8 certification" does not include the cost of any equipment or uniforms
- 9 that were returned by such officer.
- 10 (b) When a police officer obtains a certification while employed by a
- 11 law enforcement unit and is subsequently hired by another law
- 12 enforcement unit on or after October 1, 2015, and within two years of
- 13 such officer obtaining such certification, the law enforcement unit
- 14 hiring the police officer shall reimburse the initial law enforcement
- 15 unit the total cost of certification. The provisions of this section shall

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- not apply to a law enforcement unit that hires a police officer two years or more after such officer obtains certification.
- 18 (c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect an agreement 19 between a police officer or a collective bargaining unit and a law 20 enforcement unit entered into before October 1, 2015, that provides for
- 21 the reimbursement of the cost of certification.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2015	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require that a law enforcement unit be reimbursed for the costs of police certification when a police officer is hired by a different law enforcement unit within two years of the police officer's certification.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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